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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants : H. ASAHI et al.  
Serial No. : 10/588,837  
Filing Date : August 8, 2006  
For : STEEL PLATE OR STEEL PIPE WITH SMALL OCCURRENCE OF  
BAUSCHINGER EFFECT AND METHODS OF PRODUCTION OF  
SAME

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**AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 116**

SIR:

Reconsideration of the above-identified patent application, as amended, is respectfully requested. The present amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed September 9, 2009.

A petition for an extension of time in which to respond to the Office Action accompanies this amendment.